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Regional Care Sites

Munson Healthcare has an active, system-wide planning approach developed to appropriately respond, allocate resources, and care for hospitalized patients or those whose clinical condition requires hospitalization with suspected or confirmed positive COVID-19 results.

While each of the entities within our nine-hospital system are able to care for these types of patients, it is best practice and safest for our entire workforce and our communities that affected patients are managed together. We've developed a regional approach to assure that our resources are deployed in the most effective manner and that appropriate staffing, supplies, and equipment are located where the need is highest. Regionalizing our assets provides the best approach to care and is a sound method of containing or limiting the spread of this disease. Our plan was developed in cooperation with clinical leadership, including infectious disease physicians, medical staff leadership, nursing, and other critical representatives of our patient care teams.

Here is our plan: All suspected or confirmed positive cases for those patients who are already hospitalized or whose clinical condition requires hospitalization, will be housed at or immediately transferred to a designated COVID-19 regional care site within our system. These care sites are listed below.

Munson Healthcare Central Region COVID-19 Care Site: **Munson Medical Center**

- Includes patients from:
 - Kalkaska Memorial Health Center
 - Munson Medical Center
 - Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital

Munson Healthcare East Region COVID-19 Care Site: **Grayling Hospital**

- Includes patients from:
 - Munson Healthcare Grayling Hospital
 - Munson Healthcare Otsego Memorial Hospital

Munson Healthcare South Region COVID-19 Care Site: **Cadillac Hospital**

- Includes patients from:
 - Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital
 - Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital

Munson Healthcare **Charlevoix Hospital**: Due to the proximity to both the East and Central regions, Charlevoix will remain flexible with patient transport based on situation.

Every precaution to protect employees, providers, and our communities is being taken. As you are aware, strict visitor restrictions are in place, any visitors and all staff are screened for illness on a daily basis. Our staff is highly trained to deal with illnesses such as this, and personal protective equipment is available and in place during interaction with suspected or confirmed contagious patients.

